

Senate Resolution 482

By: Senator Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Gary Alfred Lee, Jr., and recognizing Gary Lee's Market; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in 1970, when he was 13 years old Gary Alfred Lee's parents decided to open  
4 a store that would sell fresh meat, groceries, and gas outside of town in a rural area of Glynn  
5 County, Georgia, on the side of Highway 82; and

6 WHEREAS, in 1997, Gary bought a wood burning smoker and started selling barbecue ribs  
7 and Boston butts in the same building as his fresh beef, chicken, and pork; and

8 WHEREAS, Gary did not have to advertise or buy air time on the radio; the locals loved  
9 Gary's barbecue and the word started to spread about how good Mr. Lee's ribs and barbecue  
10 were; and

11 WHEREAS, Gary had discovered the niche that the small meat market needed to put itself  
12 on the map, fresh meats, groceries, and barbecue, all in one location; and

13 WHEREAS, Gary Lee's Market has employed dozens of people over the years since opening  
14 in 1970; the customer base has grown over time to include most of Brunswick as well as the  
15 islands; and

16 WHEREAS, Gary Lee's Market is currently rated a 5 out of 5 on TripAdvisor, has 4.9 stars  
17 on Google Reviews, and boasts a 4.5 star rating on Facebook; Gary's world renowned  
18 barbecue has even been featured in *Atlanta Magazine*.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
20 commend Gary Alfred Lee, Jr., and recognize Gary Lee's Market for the impact they have  
21 made on culinary tradition in Georgia.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
23 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Gary Alfred Lee,  
24 Jr.